

House Resolution No. 396

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Billy Joe Pool lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Gerry Robinson, during a solemn ceremony on February 12, 1955, in Summers, Arkansas; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Billy and Gerry Pool have had the pleasure of raising one child, Rhonda Dihigo, and the privilege of spoiling two grandchildren; and

Whereas, Billy Pool has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes serving twenty-four years as Pastor of Bible Baptist Church and six years as City Councilman; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Gerry Pool has further distinguished herself by serving two years as a City Councilwoman and two years as Mayor; and

Whereas, during their half century together, Billy and Gerry Pool have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Pool, residents of Republic, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration at Bible Baptist Church:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Billy and Gerry Pool and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Pool.

Offered by _____
Representative James Viebrock
District No. 134

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 396, adopted February 8, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker